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- 3. JP B2 7-94155 and EP 0 264 600 A1 correspond to U.S. Patent No. 4,963,207.
- 4. JP A 8-21354 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,666,891.
- 5. JP A 2000-79642 and EP 0 968 814 A2 correspond to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/327,613.

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